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Article - Isao Kitagawa et al., "Characterization of Saponin Constituents in Soybeans of Various Origins and Quantitative Analysis of Soyasaponins by Gas-Liquid Chromatography": An English Abstract is on the first page.

Article - Koichi Kimura et al. "Components of Sophora japonica L. II. On the Structure of Sophoradiol": An English Abstract is on the first page.

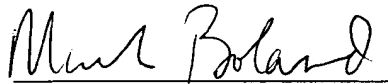
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